

## LATIN AMERICA FINAL ESSAY

Directions: As your final project grade in this class you will be asked to write an argument based essay which answers the following question:

-What is Latin America's role in the modern world?

In order to answer this above question you should focus on one of the following topics: environmental resources and decay, urbanization, movement and migration (or immigration), an aspect of Latin American culture the US/Latin America relationship, Latin America's place in a world of seven billion.

Your paper will need to meet the following requirements:

1. A thesis statement which explains your argument for your paper.
2. An introduction, at least 3 body paragraphs explaining your research
3. A conclusion
4. A bibliography with at least 3 sources

Bring a draft of your paper for peer editing on November \_\_\_\_\_ (this will be worth 20% of your final paper grade! Meaning... If you do not participate in peer editing the highest possible grade you can get is 80% )

YOUR PAPER WILL BE WORTH 50 POINTS! THE FINAL PAPER WILL BE DUE ON NOVEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Your paper will be graded on quality of information as well as quality of presentation! Grammar, editing, and complete sentences are all necessary!

## Research Report : Latin America's Position in the World

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CATEGORY	4	3	2	1
<b>Organization</b>	Information is very organized with well-constructed paragraphs and subheadings.	Information is organized with well-constructed paragraphs.	Information is organized, but paragraphs are not well-constructed.	The information appears to be disorganized. 8)
<b>Amount of Information</b>	All topics are addressed and all questions answered with at least 2 sentences about each.	All topics are addressed and most questions answered with at least 2 sentences about each.	All topics are addressed, and most questions answered with 1 sentence about each.	One or more topics were not addressed.
<b>Sources</b>		Bibliography and paper cite at least 3 sources	Bibliography and paper cite at least 2 sources	Bibliography and paper cite at least 1 source
<b>Mechanics</b>	No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors.	Almost no grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors	A few grammatical spelling, or punctuation errors.	Many grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors.
<b>Thesis Statement</b>	Paper contains a well written and clear thesis statement.	Paper contains a good thesis statement	Paper contains a thesis statement	Paper contains a confusing or off topic thesis statement.
<b>Paragraph Construction</b>	All paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.	Most paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.	Paragraphs included related information but were typically not constructed well.	Paragraphing structure was not clear and sentences were not typically related within the paragraphs.
<b>Topic</b>	Topic is clearly addressed and consistent	Topic is clearly addressed	Topic is addressed	Paper does not adequately explain the topic